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In re Patent Application of:
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Application No.: 10/531,964

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For: METHODS OF ASSESSING THE RISK OF
REPRODUCTIVE FAILURE BY
MEASURING TELOMERE LENGTH

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

REQUEST TO CORRECT FILING RECEIPT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby request that a corrected Filing Receipt be issued in the above-identified patent application. The official Filing Receipt received by Applicant, a copy of which is attached hereto, has an error in the Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant:

<u>Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant:</u>	<u>CORRECT DATA:</u>
This application is a 371 of PCT/US03/32672 * which claims benefit of 60/419,071 10/16/2002 and claims benefit of 60/452,741 03/07/2003 (*) Data provided by applicant is not consistent with PTO records.	This application is a 371 of PCT/US03/32672 10/13/2003 which claims benefit of 60/419,071 10/16/2002 and claims benefit of 60/452,741 03/07/2003.

Applicants enclose a copy of the Application Data Sheet filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on December 7, 2005. As the correction being made is due to an inadvertent error on the part of the Applicant, the Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 04-1105, under Order No.59802US(49947).

Applicants additionally request that all pertinent U.S. Patent and Trademark Office records relating to the subject application be changed to reflect this correction.

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Foreign Applications

If Required, Foreign Filing License Granted: 05/21/2008

The country code and number of your priority application, to be used for filing abroad under the Paris Convention, is US 10/531,964

Projected Publication Date: Not Applicable

Non-Publication Request: No

Early Publication Request: No

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Title

Methods Of Assessing The Risk Of Reproductive Failure By Measuring Telomere Length

Preliminary Class

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